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Previous References. (1942-3 WAR)

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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT

Serial Nos.

Part B for

SUBJECT

Permission for the use of Rajorkuri area for artillery field firing.

Rajankunte Area – Artillery Field Firing

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Serial No. 1

Letter No. R.F. 190-40/Pol. Dy 25/4/42.
from the Residency stating that the Resident would be grateful if this Govt could make the Rajankunte Area available for Artillery Field Firing when required under certain conditions & that he would also be grateful if Headquarters, Southern Command, Bangalore could be permitted to deal with the P.A. to the Resident direct in all matters connected with the Artillery Practice.

1) Submit with a draft letter to the D.C. calling for his remarks.

28/4/42

2. The Residency request to be informed if the Headquarters S.C. Bangalore could be permitted to deal direct with the P.A. to the D.C, in matters connected with the Artillery Practice. After inquiries from the D.C Bangalore re – the availability of the lands on the cover hire mentioned is received orders on the above point may be obtained. Issue drft to D.C

by 26/4/42

Letter No. G-11250 Dy 28/4/42
To the D.C. Bangalore Dist.
calling for his remarks

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Rajankunti area — Artillery Field firing

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File No. Mily of 194). | General and Revenue Secretariat.

Serial No. 2

From the D.C. Bangalore.
Letter No. M4-6045/41 dated 8/5/42 stating that the matter is being discussed with the Military authorities and that a final report will be submitted in due course.

From the D.C. Kolar 3
Letter No M4-6045/41-42 dt 12/5/42 furnishing a report in the matter.

3 The D.C. states that permission or sanction may be granted to the Military authorities for the use of Rajankunti area for Artillery field firing subject to the conditions mentioned in paras 11 & 12 of the Reconnaissance report.

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4 The other proposal of the Residency that the Military authorities may be permitted to deal direct with the P.A. to D.C. Bangalore in all matters connected with Artillery firing is for orders.

5 The Military authorities may be permitted to deal direct with the S.D.O. - Civil Officer in all matters connected with the acquisition of/~~and for Military purposes~~ and payment of compensation, the decisions of the Civil Officer

Rajasthan area – Artillery field firing

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being however, being Subject to the approval of the D.C. or ~~of~~ Govt. wherever necessary.

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Subject for orders

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(5) The Residency may be informed that this Govt have no objection to grant permission for the use of the area for Artillery field firing subject to the conditions mentioned in paras 11 & 12 of the reconnaissance report.

(6) Regarding the point whether the Artillery may be permitted to deal directly with the PA to the D.C in all matters connected with the Artillery practice, the reply may be sent that there is no objection in cases where permission of Govt for use of land already is given

Yes sir)

15/5

The Military may deal with the D.C, Bangalore direct.

GENERAL SECRETARY.
16 MAY 1942
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Dewan)

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8) Secy

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Rajankuchi area – Artillery Field Firing.

(4)

File No. Mily 350 7119/7609 Pt of 1941.

General and Revenue Secretariat.

Serial No.

9) Draft letter to the Resident is submd.

Hz 19/5/42

19/5/42

10) Issue at once.

(sent typed)

Ly 19.5

Letter No. pol 2174 Dy 19/5/42

To the Resident

States that the Govt have no objection to permit the Mily. authorities to use the area in question for Artillery field firing subject to the Conditions laid down in paras 11 & 12 of the reconnaissance report & that they may deal directly with the D.C. in this matter.

Memo No. G 12265 Dy 28/5/42

To the D.C. Bangalore

For copy & Municipal letter for info.

Letter No. M4 – 6045/41 Dy 8/6/42 from the D.C. Bangalore wish reporting the arrangements made in connection with Artillery field firing practice in the Rajankunte area & forwarding a copy of the programme for firing.

Submd. for perusal.

No action appears necessary.

Hz 10/6/42

10.6.42

Ly 11/6

Sec B

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GEN. SECT

18 JUNE 1942

Artillery practice camps.

56/W. — Rajaramkanda. 15

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Serial No. (373)

Q.

From Secy to Resident
No R.7 190-40 dt 7/7
Forwards copy of memo
from H.Q.R.A Adm H.Q
Southern Army to D.C.
Bangalore re responsibility
for unexploded shells.
1/Secd. for perusal. The
enclosure is a copy of
the memo addressed to
D.C Bangalore. No
action seems to be called for

Sg
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NOTE—Contn. Sheet.

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6) 45/W

185/W Artillery Practice Camps – Compensation for evacuation of villages.

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Serial No.

From The Secy to the Govt of India
(374) R.F. 190 40/Pol & 2nd grs 42 requesting to consider the feasibility of revising the existing rates of compensation.

To The D.C. Bellary

(375) Memo No 44 & 3rd grs. 42 forwarding the above letter for remarks

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From The D.C. Bellary

(376) M.A. 6045/41 & 10th grs. 42 forwarding a copy of the Civil Officers report in the matter.

(3) It is suggested that the present rates may be continued. Subject for general orders as to the reply that may be sent to the Govt of India in the matter. A reply memo sent that the rates of compensation are reasonable and agreed to the Government order & hence of no avail. There is a case for increase that may have been made.

(4) Draft reply

(5) Subd with a draft reply for consideration

Q5 11/7

Q5 13/7

CHIEF SECRETARY. 11 JUL 1942 GOVT. OF MYSORE.
OFFICE OF GOVT. OF MYSORE FOR FINANCE & REVENUE
13 JULY 1942
No 358
CHIEF SECRETARY. 13 JUL 1942 GOVT. OF MYSORE.

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Artillery Practice Camps - Compensation for evacuation of villages 577 (7)

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16) After issue of the draft, the following particulars may be obtained from the Dy Comm -

Names of villages affected

~~Their total population~~

Number of families evacuated in each village

~~compensation paid~~

Period of evacuation for months (May & June)

Total Compensation paid - " "

Secy
15/7/42

17) From
No
16/7

Issued Pol. 124 S (6) Jrs. 42 to the Resy (377)

18) Subd with a letter to the D C Bloch

17/7

19) From Resy

Issued 307/IV dt 17 Jrs. 42 to the D C Bloch (378)

8) 237/W Artillery Training - Rayakottai.

General and Revenue Secretariat | War File No. 89-42 of 1942-3 | [App. F. III-2

Serial No.

(379) From The Secy to the Govt Revenue
RF. 190-40/Pdg dt 16th June 42 requesting
the Govt to select for the use of Sparsely
populated area within 20 miles of Mysore
or an area anywhere in the Mysore State,
since the Compensation now payable to the
villages in the Rayakottai area is very heavy.
Issued 292/W dt 16th June 42
to the DC Blore for an immediate report
for Chief Secy's minute on the P.U.
"Arbd for proposal a Copy of the letter has been sent
to the DC Blore for report early" Sd/- M.G.M.
Dewan's minute. As regards (b)
other DCs may also be addressed. Sd/- N.M.
17/7/42

21) The D.C. Blore has already been addressed in
the matter. Arbd with a draft to the other DCs.

(380) 20/7 Issued No 327-34/W dated 21-7-42
to D.Cs of Distt except Bangalore.

(381) From The DC Blore
No.4-170/42 dt 25th June 42 with Compensation
for crops in villages on Artillery Practice Days.

(382) The D.C. Kadur
P.I.P.R. 92/42-43 dt 24th June 42
re. Selection of site for Artillery practice in Kadur Dt

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Artillery Practice Camps - Rayakote

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Re: PUJ I - Ct further report from the D.C Bl may be awaited.

PUJ I - Submitted for orders whether the D.C need be asked to select a site in his Dt. in the circumstances stated.

Replies from other Dts may be awaited

Secy

Chief Secy

The C.C.I has already come into the limits of Bangalore has suggested a few. Other replies are awaited from the Dts

Secy

Secy

31/7/42

Secy

From

The D.C Shimoga

Lr. No. G.C. 81/42-43 dt 15th Aug. 42 stating that there is no Aparade ground in this Dt. (383)

Submitted for perusal. The replies from the other Dts will be awaited

Secy

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CHIEF SECRETARY
28 JUL 1942
GOVT. OF MYSORE.

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Secy

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Secy.

10) 485/W.539/W Artillery Practice Camps - Regulations

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Serial No.

From The Secy to the Govt to the Govt of
(384) Rf 190 of 1941 d 4th Aug. 42
requiring certain reports to their letter d 16th June 42

26) Secy to the Govt of Mysore (Planning & Development) Dept
have replied in the matter. If approved the
other DCs will be requested.

(RS 6/8 Sec)

Yes. Letters to be issued
Under the orders on the
investigation Secy

Sd/- with the recommendations of
other D.Cs & one with interim
report by the Regr.

Sec 6/8. 27) Govt Secy

(385) Issued Pd. 311 S 6th Aug. 42 to the Regr
884-94 M. to the DCs & Concerned DFs.

(386) From the D.C. Tumkur
A2.C. 255/42-43 d 7th Aug. 42 forwarding report
in the matter.

28) Submitted for perusal. The other DCs have
been requested in the matter.

(RS 9/8)

for
The D.C. 9/8 Manager.

(387) T.C. 215-41 d 8th Aug. 42 stating that there is
no such area in his Dt.

Submitted for perusal.

(RS 10/8) 29) for 10/8

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CHIEF SECRETARY 10 AUG. 1942 OF MYSORE.

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Artillery Practice Camps- Regarding. (11)

var File No. 89-7/42-Ir. 601/W. 625/W of 1942-3

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Serial No.

From The D C Chitaldrug

C.I.C. 3738/42 d 9th aug. 42 Stating that there is no such area available in his Dt. (388)

2nd) Reports have been received from the DCs of Kanara, Shimoga, Tumkur, Mangalore & Chitaldrug Stating that there is no suitable area in their respective Dts. The other DCs were reminded in the matter on the 6th aug & as the reminders with be sent by the 13th if no reply is received. As others reply has already been sent to the Resy.

PS 11/8 Sec. 11/8

From The D. C. Hassan

No. C. 656/41 d 11th aug. 42. Stating that (389)
the report called for with be sent shortly since reply of some of the Dist Officers are awaited

3rd) Subd for perusal.

PS 12/8 Sec. 12/8

From

The D. C. Mysore.

C.D.C. 240/42-43 d 11th aug. 42 Stating that ~~(391)~~
there is no area in his Dt suitable for the purpose.

Kanara
Shimoga
Tumkur
Mangalore
Chitaldrug
Mysore
Hassan

2nd) Subd for perusal. The reply from the other DCs with be awaited.

PS 13/8 Sec. 13/8

The D. C. Hassan. (390)

No. C. 656/41 d 13th aug 42 Stating that there is no area in his Dt.

3rd) Subd for perusal. Replies awaited from DCs Belgaum & Kolar. This with be reminded to Mysore

PS 14/8 Sec. 14/8

12)664/W 1226/W Abilities Practical Comps- Regarding

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Serial No.

From The D.C. Kolar.

(391) C.C. 121/4 42 d 17th aug. 42 Stating that it may not be possible to select a suitable area in his Dt.

35) All the D.Cs except Blore have reported that there is no suitable area in their respective Dts. Subs for perusal with a reminder to the D.C Blore

(25 18/8) 35) Issue

(392) Issued 1122/W d 18th aug. 42 to the D.C Blore

From The D.C. Tumkur

(393) Lr. No. Agr 258/42-43 d 20th aug. 42 stating that the Assistant Subdr reports that there is no suitable area in his Taluk.

36) The report of the D.C Blore, who has been reminded twice, will be awaited Subs for perusal

(25 26/8) 36) The D.C. Tumkur has reported that there are no suitable areas in his area

Thing 26/8

CHIEF SECRETARY. 26 AUG. 1942 GOVT. OF MYSORE.

37) Reminder to be sent

D.O No. 1326/W dated 27-8-42. 27/8

Subd. with a d.o. reminder

(28 27/8) 38) 39)

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(394) Issued D.O. 1326/W d 27th aug. 42 to the D.C. Blore

764/W

Artillery Training - Rajarkunte. (13)

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Serial No. (395)

From The D.C. Bldr

M.4. 6527/41 & 28th Aug-42

Stating that there is no area in his Dt of the kind and description referred to in the Rly letter.

(2) Kind reference is invited to the Resy letter & 16th Jun. 42. All the DCs have reported that there is no suitable area in their respective Dts. There is no reference to the place referred to in the DCs letter re. the area already used for Artillery Training.

Subd for perusal and orders as to the replies to be sent to the Resy in the matter

L 29/8

(3) a/f

(4) a/f

(5) Subd with a draft.

L 31/8

(6) For approval before issue

L 1/9

Draft

CHIEF SECRETARY. 29 AUG. 1942 MYSORE.

CHIEF SECRETARY. 1 SEP 1942 GOVT OF MYSORE.

764/796/W (14)

Artillery Training - Regulations.

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Serial No.	
(396)	From The D. C. Kasaragod 9.1.C 337/42.43 & 29th Aug. 42 Stating that it is since reported that the only suitable place available in his Dt is the area round about Thrikkaripur Kaval and Kanamballi Kaval in Hosdrug Taluk. 44) Subd for perusal and orders whether this may be incorporated in the draft put up to the Resy. 45) The addition be made as proposed in the draft [illegible] 2/9 46) Please put up a clean draft as proposed 2/9 47) Subd with a clean draft. 45 2/9 48) For approval Govt issue 2/9 For Hon'ble Minister Dewan 49 3.9.42
(397)	From BR. 550 & 5th Sept. 42 to the Resy 50) Draw up

CHIEF SECRETARY 7 SEP 1942 GOVT OF MYSORE

DEWAN'S OFFICE 3. SEP. 1942 NO 2042

OFFICE OF THE MINISTER FOR FINANCE & REVENUE 3 SEPT. 1942 No 2062

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3434/W Rajorkhoti range - Artillery field firing. (15)

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General and Revenue Secretariat

Serial No. (398)

From The Secy to Govt Hqrs Bde R.F. (80-40/Pld dd 10th Jan-43 forwg a copy of Hqrs Bde letter and enquiring whether the Govt. has any objection to the military authorities using the Rajorkhoti range for field firing.

(1) Kind reference is invited to the Valuation Act the rate of compensation and the subsequent correspondence in the matter. A rate of Rs 6 as per man 4 as per woman and 2 as a child was considered reasonable by the Govt having regard to the present cost of living and the Resy was instructed accordingly. Kind reference is also invited to the D C's Civil Officer's reports in the matter. The Residency want a revision in the present high rate of compensation. Asked for present and orders whether it is possible to reduce it further in the circumstances stated by the D C and in view of the present cost of living.

(2) Field firing in this area has already been agreed to (vide Govt of India Memo No. 1416/5 dated 10th Jan 43) and this may be agreed to. The Residency may be requested to withdraw the military authorities to communicate the D.C. Baroda's orders

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Ragiankunte — Firing range

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Details.

5) As regards compensation, it has been already explained in letter dated 16.7.42 that the existing rates for land & crops are the highest known. In all cases the case is now for an increase in view of the worsening of the price situation

Wing Secy) 14/6

2) Please put up a draft reply accordingly for consn

UO 15/6/43

Submitted a draft reply to the Revenue for consideration

16/6

Wing Secy)

may be approved

Min, Edn) UO 16/6/43

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UO 17/6/43

Revenue)

19/6/43

(349) Issued Pd 2598 d 21st June 43 to the Revenue Dept

4H94(a Mysore CR

WD 1140—GPB—50,000—5-11-42

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GOVT. OF MYSORE. CH. 12583 14. JUN. 1943

GOVT OF MYSORE. 2821 16. JUN 1943

OFFICE OF THE MINISTER FOR EDUCATION. 17.6.43. No. 1413.

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Rayakote Range - Artillery field firing.

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DEV... OFFICE
NO. 2153

CHIEF SECRETARY'S
7600
7 OCT. 1943
GOVT. OF MYSORE

From The R.C.V.C.R

C.L.O 134/42-44 d. 2nd Octr. 43 recommending that permission may be given for field firing in the Rayakote Range at Night. Subject to the condition that the practice will be confined to the specified area and that every precaution taken to prevent damage to men or cattle.

Submitted for general orders whether permission may be accorded subject to the conditions mentioned by the C.R.

In the circumstances, the C.R's recommendation may be sanctioned.

Sd/- 7/10

Min Edn) may be sanctioned.
& Dewan)

12/10

WQ
12/10/43

Sd/- 14/10/43

WQ
14/10/43

Submitted as directed - 25 C.R.

Sd/- 15/10.

From Sy (Advising also that 14/10 be informed)

Issued 787/W d 17th Octr. 43 to the R.C.V.C.R
Submitted with a draft to the Govt.

Sd/- 19/10

Issued Pd. 772 d 26th Octr 43 to the Govt

SECRETARIAT
EDUCATION
Dt. 12-10-43
No. 2193

TYPING SECTION
20 OCT. 1943
GEN. & REV. SECTT.

VERY URGENT.

The reply to this communication should be addressed to the Secretary to the Resident in Bangalore, by designation and not by name.

G.M. 6521

NoR.F.190-40/Pol

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27 APR 1942 SECTT GEN. BR.

M/350-41-1

FROM

THE SECRETARY
TO THE HON'BLE THE RESIDENT IN MYSORE.

To

The Chief Secretary to the Government of
His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore.

Dated Bangalore, the 25th April *1942.*

CHIEF SECRETARY * 25 APR. 1942 * MYSORE

GENERAL SECRETARY 27 APR 1942

RAJANKUNTI AREA - ARTILLERY
FIELD FIRING.

SIR,

I am directed to forward a report on a reconnaissance of the Rajankunti area. The Military authorities consider the area suitable for Artillery Field Firing. The report includes general instructions for practice. A tracing showing the actual limits of the area is also enclosed.

The Hon'ble the Resident would be grateful if the Government of Mysore could kindly make this area available when required under the conditions suggested in paragraphs 11 and 12 of the reconnaissance report referred to above. He would also be grateful if Advance Headquarters, Southern Command, Bangalore, could

could be permitted to deal direct with the Personal Assistant to the Deputy Commissioner Bangalore District, in all matters connected with the Artillery Practice.

The favour of a very early reply is requested.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant.

for SECRETARY TO THE RESIDENT.

BJ

No.50692/4/RA.

FIELD FIRING RANGE 25 PR AND 2 PR.

Map 1" to 1 Mile . Sheets No. 57 G/11 and G/12.

1. A reconnaissance was carried out on 17th April 1942 of the former Artillery Field Firing Range at RAJANKUNTI 1142 by O.C. 134 Fd Regt R.A. and S.O.R.A. Southern Command accompanied by the Personal Assistant to the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore and a land officer.

2. The area under consideration is bounded by roads as follows:-

ROAD A. VADIGENHALLI - GUNTAKAL from Xrds 299528 (½ mile N of DEVANHALLI) to Xrds 093597 (1 mile N of DOD BALLAPUR)

ROAD B. BANGALORE - BAGEPALLI from rd junc 151333 to Xrds 299528.

ROAD C. BANGALORE - GUNTAKAL from Xrds 093597 to rd junc 151333 (½ mile S of YELAHANKA).

3. The P.A. to the D.C. stated that the area North as far as the road from YALLIVAHALLI 2766 to DOD BELLAPUR could be made available and that ROAD A (see para 2 above) could be closed to traffic if required.

4. The area South of Northing Grid Line 42 is unsuitable owing to the BANGALORE CHIK BALLAPUR Light Railway and the large village of HALASUR 1741 though gun positions are available in this area for firing northwards.

5. The two tracks leading East from RAJANKUNTI village north and south of TIMMASANDRA 1342 are the most convenient entrances to the area.

6. All tracks marked on the map are apparently good fair weather tracks and only heavy rains would make them impassable to wheeled traffic. A staff car with 6 persons was driven without difficulty from rd and track junc 190557 - KUNDANA 1953 - pt 3025 - X tracks 152414 - RAJANKUNTI. The ground, however, was absolutely dry at the time.

7. Although a large area is under cultivation a great deal of the land is waste, for which compensation is not applicable. By careful recce before setting tactical exercises and map recce before course shooting and calibration it will not be difficult to keep to a minimum the areas required to be cleared before shooting

8. The area is suitable for tactical schemes and good, var- O.Ps. and gun posns and some false crests are generally available for 25 prs and realistic conditions in open and broken tankable country for 2 prs.

9. A camp site was not reeced as it was understood at the time that practicing units would be stationed in BANGALORE, 15 mi from RAJANKUNTI. The RAJANKUNTI area has previously been occupi but the impression was gained that the authorities would prefer i if a camp could be dispensed with.

10. The P.A. to the D.C. was most helpful during the recce expressed himself anxious to give every possible assistance.

11. It should be the rule that at least 6 days clear warni of firing be given to the authorities and the police so that all arrangements can be made for clearing areas as required during hours of practice. Traces showing danger areas will be issued every request that the range be made available and DANGER NOTIC regarding unexploded shell in English and the Vernacular will b posted. The following is the English text:- "It is DANGEROUS touch unexploded shells found on the Artillery Range. The pos of any unexploded shell found should be reported to the Camp Commandant (or S.S.O.). A reward of Rs 1 will be paid to any reporting the position of an unexploded shell to the Camp (or Staff) Office.

The O.C. R.A. unit is responsible for arranging with H.Q. Madras District for post treatment of unexploded shells

reward of the finder. He is also responsible for providing the Compensation Officer with a detailed record of each round fired in order to facilitate recovery of unexploded shell.

12. COMPENSATION.

Southern Command Order No. 692/41:-

"Cases continue to occur where claims for compensation due to field training are not promptly settled.

Any delay leads to difficulty in assessing the amount to be paid, hardship and dissatisfaction among the civil population and probable waste of Government money.

The following orders are therefore issued to ensure that the correct procedure is adopted when field training, field firing, practice camps, etc. are carried out.

(a) The local H.Q. issuing the instruction for training will detail a military compensation officer by name and will also notify the name and designation of the civil authority with whom he will collaborate.

(b) The Compensation Officer will be given sufficient cash to cover the cost of any damage likely to occur.

(c) Immediately the training is finished , or daily in the case of prolonged training, the compensation officer, in company with the civilian authority, will inspect all damage for which compensation is claimed, will assess its value and will pay the agreed compensation to the claimant IN CASH ON THE SPOT, and will obtain a receipt at the time of payment.

(d) Larger claims for the evacuation of land and villages will be assessed in collaboration between the local H.Q. and the civil authorities on the basis of so much per day, half day of hour before the training begins. At the end of the training the local H.Q.will, WITHOUT DELAY, pay through the civil authorities the amount due for the periods in which evacuation took place.

(e) As soon as all claims have been settled, the local H.Q. will obtain a clearance certificate to that effect from the civil authority.

(f) Compensation for damage and evacuation connected with Artillery Practice Camps will be advanced from District or (I) Area training grant. When all claims have been finally settled the total amount will be reported to H.Q. Southern Command who will refund by cheque or R.T.R. If the amount is likely to be large an advance may be obtained from H.Q. Southern Command.

(g) All other claims for compensation on account of damage or evacuation arising out of training activities will be debitable to the District or (I) Area training grant."

H.Q. Southern Command ruling (No. 3849 / 63 / G dated 27 Oct 1941.)

"The Military Compensation Officer appointed by your H.Q., assisted by the Civil Compensation Officer, is responsible for the investigation and prompt settlement of all claims. The Military Compensation Officer will be retained after the conclusion of the camp for such period as may be considered necessary, i.e. until he is satisfied that all claims have been settled."

13. Information and instructions regarding technical details of Arty Practice Camps - Returns, Air Co-operation, Contract for recovery of exploded shell, Target Stores, etc. - are available from H.Q.R.A., Southern Command, Bangalore.

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Appendix F G—1]

SUBJECT .....

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Diary No. of letter replied to.....

General and Revenue Secretariat

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the 19 .

Date of issue 28/4/42

Signed by Mr. K. R. S.

List of enclosures.....

Copied by .....

Examined by .....

Very urgent

Section Hily

File No. 358—41

Serial No. 2

No. G. 11250/Sel 3,

To The D.C. Bangalore Dist.

Sir,

Rajankunti Area —
Artillery Field Firing.

I am directed to forward herewith, for favour of a very urgent report remarks, Copy of Residency R.T. 190-40/pol. D/25/4/42 letter with its enclosure on the subject mentioned above. The hearing received with the Residency letter is sent in original for reference & this may kindly be returned with your reply.

I have to

28/4

for Secy

28/4/42

VERY URGENT.

Gm 6863.

5 p.m.

The reply to this communication should be addressed to the Secretary to the Resident in Mysore, Bangalore, by designation and not by name.

No.R.F.190-40/Pol.

FROM

THE SECRETARY
TO THE HON'BLE THE RESIDENT IN MYSORE.

To

The Chief Secretary to the Government of
His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore.

Dated Bangalore, the 7th May *1942.*

RAJANKUNTI AREA - ARTILLERY FIELD FIRING.

7 MAY 19[illegible] GOVT. OF MYSORE.

SIR,

I am directed to refer to my letter No.R.F.190-40/Pol., dated the 25th April 1942 and to request that, in view of the urgency of the matter, a reply may kindly be expedited.

The D.C. has not sent his reps so far. Subto with draft of fair reminder to him for approval.

Off-t fair ad interim reps are also putups.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

SECRETARY TO THE RESIDENT.

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GOVERNMENT OF HIS HIGHNESS THE MAHARAJA OF MYSORE

Immediate.

General and Revenue Secretariat

No. G.11742

Bangalore, dated 8th May 1942

FROM

The Secretary to the Government of His Highness
the Maharaja of Mysore.
General Department.

To

The Deputy Commissioner,
Bangalore District,
BANGALORE.

Sir,

RAJANKUNTI AREA - ARTILLERY FIELD FIRING.

I am directed to invite attention to this office letter No. G. 11250, dated the 28th April 1942 on the above subject and to request that, in view of the urgency of the matter, your reply may kindly be expedited.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

For Secretary to Government
General Department.

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GOVERNMENT OF HIS HIGHNESS THE MAHARAJA OF MYSORE.

General and Revenue Secretariat.

No. Pol. 2104 *Bangalore, Dated* 8 May 1942.

FROM

The *Secretary to the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore.*
General Department.

To

The Secretary to the Hon'ble the Resident in Mysore,
Bangalore.

Sir,

RAJANKUNTI AREA - ARTILLERY FIELD FIRING.

I am directed to refer to your letter No. R.F. 190-40 Pol., dated the 25th April 1942 and your reminder of even No., dated the 2nd May 1942 on the above subject and to state that a reply will be sent soon after a report is received from the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District, who has been consulted in the matter.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

Apps & Afs.

for Secretary to Government,
General Department.

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Gm 6923.

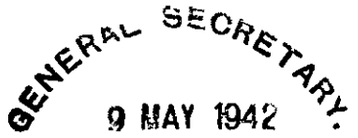
Immediate.

No.M4-6045/41.

Office of the Deputy Commissioner,
Bangalore District,
Dated, Bangalore, 8th May 1942.

S. Narayana Rao, Esq., M.A., (Hons)
Deputy Commissioner,
Bangalore District.

To



J. Appaji Gowda, Esq., B.A., (Hons)
Secretary to the Government of Mysore,
General Department,
Bangalore.

Sir,

Subject:- Artillery Field Firing
Rajankunte area - permission for the use of -
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With reference to your letter No.G. 11250/Mily. dated 28th April 1942 on the above subject, I have the honour to state that the Civil Officer, Bangalore, discussed the matter with the Military Officers at Headquarters on the 6th instant as the exact place required could not be made out by him from the tracing received with your letter. He has stated that he would submit a report after meeting the Military Officers at the Southern Command and on its receipt, final reply will be sent.

I have the honour to be,
S i r,
Your most obedient servant,

BS Sanjeevaraya Rao

Deputy Commissioner,
Bangalore District.

(attested)

gvm/-

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GOVERNMENT OF MYSORE

Telegram / phone: Immediate.

No. M4-6045/41-42.
Encls.

OFFICE OF
The Deputy Commissioner,
Bangalore District,
Bangalore.

Date 12th May 1942.

To

J. Appaji Gowda, Esq., B.A., (Hons)
Secretary to the Government of Mysore,
General Department, Bangalore.

GENERAL SECRETARIAT 13 MAY 1942

Sir,

Subject:- Artillery Field Firing - Rajankunte area- Permission for the use of -

With reference to your letter No.G. 11250 Mily. dated 28th April 1942 forwarding for report a copy of Residency letter No.R.F. 190-40- Pol. dated the 25th April 1942 on the above subject, I have the honour to state that a reconnaisance of the area required was conducted on the 17th April 1942 by the Military authorities in company with my Personal Assistant who was in charge of the Civil Officer's work then. The area required comprises several villages of Devanahalli Taluk and evacuation of these villages will be necessary at the time of field firing.

2. Permission may kindly be accorded for making use of the area subject to thee conditions laid down in the paragraphs 11 and 12 of the reconnaisance report. The Sub Division Officer, Bangalore, who is the representative chief Revenue Officer of the Bangalore District, in matters of acquisition of lands for military purposes (vide your letter No. Pol. 2067 dated 2-5-1942 to the Secretary to the hon'ble the Resident in Mysore) will collaborate with the Military compensation Officer for performing the duties of estimating the damages, payment of compensation etc., contemplated in clauses (a) to (e) of paragraph 12 of the reconnaissance report.

3. The tracing received with your letter

under advertance is enclosed.

I have the honour to be,
S i r,
Your most obedient servant,

S. Nanjundaiah

Deputy Commissioner,
Bangalore District.

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19th May 1942.

The

General Department.

S i r,

RAJANKUNTI AREA - ARTILLERY FIELD FIRING.

I am directed to refer to your letter No.R.F.190-40/Pol. dated 25th April 1942, on the subject mentioned above, and to state that this Government have no objection to permit the Military authorities to use the area in question for Artillery Field Firing subject to the conditions laid down in paragraphs 11 & 12 of the reconnaisance report forwarded with your letter under advertence. I am also to add that in all matters connected with the Artillery practice they (Mily. authorities) may deal direct with the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District.

I have the honour to be,
S i r,
Your most obedient servant,

(Sd) J.Appaji Gowda.
Secretary to Government,
General Department.

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19-5-42.

G/12265 & 20/5/42.

Copy forwarded, with compliments, to the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District, Bangalore, for information, with reference to his letter No.M.4-6045/41-42 dated 12th May 1942.

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For Secretary to Government,
General Department.

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SUBJECT.....

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Section Mily

File No. 350-4/1.

Serial No. 4

Diary No. of letter replied to.....

No. Pol. 2174

To The Secy. to the Hon'ble the Resident in Nepal

General and Revenue Secretariat

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Sir,

Date of issue 19/5/42

Rajankanti Area — Artillery Field Firing

Signed by Dy Sec. to A.

I am directed to refer to your letter No. R-7. 190-40/Pol- Dy 25/4/42 on the subject mentioned above & to state that this Govt have no objection to permit the Mily. authorities to use the area in question for Artillery

List of enclosures.....

Copied by .....

Examined by .....

Field Firing subject to
the Conditions laid down
in Paragraphs 11 & 12
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19/5/42 G/12265 & 20/5/42

Copy w/c. to the DC-Blue Dist.
for info. with ref to his letter No.
M4-6045/41-42 Dt 12/5/42

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for Gen. Secy to Govt

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The reply to this communication should be addressed to the Secretary to the Resident in Mysore, Bangalore, by designation and not by name.

VERY URGENT.

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No.R.F.190-40/Pol.

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FROM

THE SECRETARY
TO THE HON'BLE THE RESIDENT IN MYSORE.

To

The General Secretary to the Government of
His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore.

Dated Bangalore, the 19th May *1942.*

GENERAL SECRETARY.
19 MAY 1942

Rajankunti area - Artillery Field Firing.
Your letter No.Pol.2104/Mily. dated the 8th May 1942.

SIR,

I am directed to refer to my letter to the Chief Secretary to the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore, No.R.F.190-40/Pol., dated the 25th April 1942 and to request that, as the matter is very urgent, a reply may kindly be expedited.

A reply has been sent yesterday.
Submitted for perusal before filing the papers.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

GENERAL SECRETARY.
21 MAY 1942

SECRETARY TO THE RESIDENT.

GOVERNMENT OF MYSORE

Telegram / phone

OFFICE OF

The Deputy Commissioner,
Bangalore District,
Bangalore.

No: M4-6045/41
Encls. One.

Date 8th June 1942.

To

J. Appaji Gowda, Esq., B.A.(Hons.),
Secretary to Government of Mysore,
General Department, Bangalore.

Subject: Artillery Field Firing -- Rajanukunte area -- Programme for June 1942.

With reference to correspondence ending with your memo No.G.12265 dated 20th May 1942, and in continuation of my letter of even number dated 12th May 1942 on the above subject, I have the honour to state that the land selected is practically an open waste land with shrub jungle, which is roughly bounded by the villages noted in the margin. The military authorities have been intimated that there is no objection to their clearing the jungle in accordance with your letter No.Pol.2174/Mly.350-41-4 dated 19th May 1942.

East ..	Endorsahalli, Vaddarpalya, Hegganahalli, Kudagere.
West ..	Kammahalli, Tindlu.
North ..	Venkatapura, Sulekunte etc. up to Devanahalli and Dodballapur road.
South ..	District Board road between Rajanukunte Devanhalli road.

2 As the area was represented by the villagers to contain small plots of Sugarcane and other catch crops here and there requiring irrigation, wanted an interval of a day once in four days. They were agreeable to leave the villages by 7 A.M. and come back in the evening after 5 P.M. on the days of field firing.

3 In conformity with this concession, the officer commanding the H.Q. Southern Army, Bangalore, has sent a copy of the revised programme showing the dates and hours of practice during this month together with tracings showing the area to be cleared on each day of practice.

P.T.O.

Instructions have been given to the Civil Officer Bangalore, the District Superintendent of Police and the Amildar Devanahalli Taluk, to take nedessary action for clearing the area on the days of practice. Arrangements will be made by the Civil Officer for payment of compensation to the parties concerned on the days of evacuation.

A copy of the programme received from the Officer Commanding the H.Q.-Southern Army, Bangalore, is enclosed for favour of reference.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

Deputy Commissioner,
Bangalore District.

DA.b.

Letter No.B/11018/28/R.A. dated 3rd June 1942 from the Officer Commanding H.Q. Southern Army, Bangalore.

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Subject: TRAINING - PRACTICE CAMP - RAJANKUNTI.

Reference 134 Fd Regt letter No.T.6/631 dated 30-5-42.

As a result of a visit by the S.O.R.A. the Personal Assistant to the Deputy Commissioner Devanahalli on 1 June 1942, where a conference was held with the Amildar of Devanahalli Taluk, it was agreed to interrupt artillery practice one day in every five in order to enable the cultivation of the Sugar cane crop to be efficiently carried out.

The revised programme is therefore as follows:

DATE	TIME	AREA TO BE CLEARED
8 June	0800 - 1600 hrs.	Trace 'A'
9 "	" "	" 'A'
10 "	" "	" 'B'
12 "	" "	" 'A'
13 "	" "	" 'B'
14 "	" "	" 'B'
15 "	" "	" 'B'
17 "	" "	" 'B'
18 "	" "	" 'B'
19 "	" "	" 'A'
20 "	" "	" 'B'
16 "	" "	" 'A'

Two copies of Trace 'A' and 'B' are attached.

" C O P Y "

S. Nanjappa 5/6/42

Deputy Commissioner,
Bangalore District.

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GOVERNMENT OF MYSORE

Telegram / phone

No. M4 6527/41-42.
Encls.

OFFICE OF
The Deputy Commissioner,
Bangalore District,
Bangalore.

Date 20th June 1942.

To

GULAM MOHIYUDDIN MEHKRI ESQ., B.A., LL.B.,
Chief Secretary to Government,
War Section, Bangalore.

CHIEF SECRETARY
22. JUN. 1942
GOVT. OF MYSORE.

Subject: RAJANKUNTE ARTILLERY FIELD FIRING.

I have the honour to forward herewith for the information of Government a copy of D.O. letter No. 65/41-42 dated 17th June 1942 on the above subject received from the Civil Officer, Bangalore. The Sub-Division Officer reports that the artillery field firing practice which commenced on the 8th instant will continue till the 20th instant and again for a day on the 26th instant.

The Civil Officer reports that he was asked if he could arrange for anti-aricraft practice for 2 days on the 21st and 26th instant in the same area with an enlarged firing range 15 miles long and 10 miles wide which meant the evacuation of not less than 50 more villages and that he explained to the Military authorities the inconvenience that the civil population had experienced by the almost continuous evacuati of their villages for a period of 12 days and the additional strain that the anti-craft practice would entail. It is stated that the Army Commander at Jayamahal decided to have the manoeuvre at Madras, but that he may ask for permission to have a day's practice on the 24th or 25th instant on a small scale in the present artillery range, which may be considered on receipt of a formal requisition.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

DEPUTY COMMISSIONER,
Bangalore District.

VSR/-20-6.

Copy of D.O. No. 65/41-42, dated 17th June 1942 from the Sub Division and Civil Officer, Bangalore, to the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District, Bangalore.

Subject: Rajakunte Artillery Field Firing (Devanahally Taluk)

The artillery Field Firing practice which was commenced on 8th instant is still going on. As per present programme, it will take place till 20-6-1942 and again for a day on 26th instant.

Yesterday, I was sent for by the Brigadier, Bangalore Area and asked if we could arrange for an Anti-aircraft practice for 2 days between 21st and 26th instants in the same area with an enlarged firing Range to the north of the Dodballapur and Devanahally road. This meant an additional evacuation of not less than 50 more villages, the entire range being about 15 miles long and about 10 miles wide.

I explained to the Military authorities that there had been already considerable inconvenience to the Civil population who have been made to evacuate their villages almost continuously for a period of 12 days and this additional strain extending over an area of nearly 100 villages affecting thousands of population would be too much. Then, I was asked to accompany Major Pewar to the Southern Army Head Quarters where the matter was once a gain discussed with my objection put before the Brigadier Dods, still standing. When the matter was referred to the Army Commander at Jayamahal, it was finally decided that the present Anti Aircraft Gun practice which required an Aeroplane to fly in the sky during the manoeuvre should take place in the sea - in Madras. With this understanding, I returned from the Southern Headquarters at 7 p.m.

They may ask, however, for permission for a day to practice on a small scale in the present Artillery range either on the 24th or 25th instant. This may be considered on receipt of a formal requisition

which the Head Quarters promised to send.

" C O P Y "

For Deputy Commissioner,
Bangalore District.

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VSr/-20-6.

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GOVERNMENT OF MYSORE

Telegram
Telephone

No. M.1.6527/41-42.
Encls.

OFFICE OF THE MINISTER FOR LAW
JUN 23 1942
No. 12881

OFFICE FO
THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONLR,
Bangalore District.

Date 21st J u n e 1942.

To

M.G.Mehkri,Esq.,B.A.,LL.B.,
Chief Secretary to the Govt of Mysore,
Bangalore.

Sir,

CHIEF SECY.
22. JUN. 1942
GOVT. OF MYSORE.

Artillery A.A. Practice.

In continuation of this office letter of even No. dated 20th June 1942 intima-ting that the Army Commander proposes to have anti-air craft practice on the 24th or 25th, I have the honour to state that Brigadier A.A.Southern Army writes to say that he proposes to carry out anti-air craft firing practice with live shell on the 24th June 1942 on the Rajankunte Range over an area as shown on the trace " B " attached. (A copy of his letter No.B.11102/7/R.H. dated 17-6-42 is enclosed).

2. On a reference to the Civil Officer,Bangalore he has reported in his letter No.B.1.2150/41-42 dated 20th June 1942 (copy enclosed) that the area in which this practice is proposed to take place is the same as ' B ' group area where the Artillery practice is going on in the Devanahalli Taluk since 8-6-42 and that the permission asked for may be granted subject to the payment of compensation for the evacuation of the villages and for damages, if any, caused to private property.

3. The Civil Officer, the Amildar of Devanahalli Taluk and the District Superintendent of Police,Bangalore have been instructed to take necessary action in the matter.

I have the honour to be,
S i r,
Your most obedient servant,

S. Narayana

Deputy Commissioner,
Bangalore District.

No.B.11102/7/R.A.
H.Q.R.A., Southern Army,
Bangalore.
17th June 1942.

To

The Deputy Commissioner,
Bangalore District.

Subject:- Artillery A.A.Practice.

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1. Reference to my letter No.B.11102/R.A. dated 13th June 1942 addressed to the Commissioner on the above subject, this Head Quarters has now had a visit from the Civil Liaison Officer to the Mysore Govt and as a result, the following alterations are made:.

2. It is now proposed to carry out anti-circraft firing practice with live shell on 24th June 42 on the Rajankunte Range. The area over which firing will take place is shown on Trace B attached.

3. Please let me know at an early date if you have any objection.

Sd/-
Brigadier, A.A.Southern Army.

Copy

S. Narayanan

Deputy Commissioner,
Bangalore District. 21/6

Letter No.B.1.2150/41-42 dated 20th June 1942 from the Sub Dn Officer and Civil Officer, Bangalore to the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District.

Artillery A.A.Practice on the 24th June 42.

With reference to your memo No.F.C, 16285 41-42 dated 19-6-42 on the above subject, I have the honour to invite reference to my D.O.letter No.65 dated 17-6-42 (last para) and to state that the area in which the practice is proposed to take place is the same as B group area where the Artillery practice is goirg on in the Devanahalli Taluk since 8-6-42. The permission may be granted subject to the ~~condition~~ payment of compensation for the evacuation of villages ans for damages caused, if any to private property etc.

I have intimated this fact to the Amildar and the Police Inspector, Devanahalli Taluk with a view to take further action in the matter. The tracing is herewith ~~enclosed~~ returned.

C o p y

S. Narayana Rao

Deputy Commissioner,
Bangalore District.

GOVERNMENT OF MYSORE

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Military Immediate

Telegram
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OFFICE OF

The Deputy Commissioner,

Bangalore District.

No.
Encls. M.1.6527/41-42.

DEWAN'S OFFICE
23. JUN 42

Date 23rd June 1942.

To: O Weekly

M.G. Mehkri, Esq., B.A., LL.B.,

Chief Secretary to the Govt of Mysore,

Bangalore.

Sir,

Artillery A.A. Practice.

In continuation of this office letter of even number dated 22-6-1942 on the above subject, I have the honour to state that the Civil Officer reports that he received a telephone message from the Southern Army stating that Anti-Aircraft Artillery Practice fixed for tomorrow has been cancelled on account of mishap to the Aeroplane coming from Madras.

I have the honour to be,
S i r,
Your most obedient servant,

BS. Suryanarayana

for Deputy Commissioner,
Bangalore District.

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GOVERNMENT OF MYSORE

Tele gram / phone

OFFICE OF

The Deputy Commissioner,

Bangalore District,

Bangalore.

No. M4-6527/41-42.
Encls

Date 24th June 1942.

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CHIEF SECRETARY
24. JUN. 1942
GOVT. OF MYSORE

To GULAM MOHIYUDDIN MEHKRI ESQ., B.A., LL.B.,

Chief Secretary to Government,

War Section, Bangalore.

Sir,

Subject: Training - Practice Camp - Rajanakunte.

I have the honour to state that the Officer Commanding, H.Q. R.A. Adv. H.Q. Southern Army, Bangalore states in his letter No. B/11018/46/R.A. dated 21st June that it is proposed to arrange for clearing the practice camp range at Rajanukunte on 26th June 1942 on account of firing practice by the Southern Army R.A.F and that in case the weather is not favourable on that day the practice will take place on the 27th instant.

Instructions have been issued to the Civil Officer, District Superintendent of Police, Bangalore and the Amildar of Devanahally Taluk to take necessary action to clear the

P.T.O.

area.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

S. Nallajamoga

DEPUTY COMMISSIONER,
Bangalore District.

VSR/-24-6.

Issued No. 3814/iv dated 25-6-42

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25th June 1942.

The Inspector-General of Police in Mysore.

Training - Practice Camp - Rajanakunte.

I am directed to forward for information a copy of letter No.M4-6527/41-42 dated the 24th June 1942 from the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District, regarding the firing practice by the Southern Army R.A.F. at Rajanakunte.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

For Chief Secretary to Government.

I have the honour to state that the Officer Commanding, H.Q, R.A. Adv. H.Q. Southern Army, Bangalore, states in his letter No. B/11018/46/R.A. dated 21st June that it is proposed to arrange for clearing the practice camp range at Rajanukunte on 26th June 1942 on account of firing practice by the Southern Army R.A.F. and that in case the weather is not favourable on that day the practice will take place on the 27th instant.

Instructions have been issued to the Civil Officer, D.S.P., Bangalore, and the Amildar of Davanahalli Taluk to take necessary action to clear the area.

The reply to this communication should be addressed to the Secretary to the Resident in Mysore, Bangalore, by designation and not by name.

URGENT.

No.R.F.190-40/Pol.

W.89-42-373

FROM

THE SECRETARY
TO THE HON'BLE THE RESIDENT IN MYSORE.

To The General Secretary to the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore, Bangalore.

GENER - SECRETARY. 2 JULY 1942

Dated Bangalore, the 2nd July *1942.*

Artillery practice camps - Destruction of unexploded shell.

SIR,

I am directed to forward for information a copy of memorandum from H.Q., R.A., Adv: H.Q., Southern Army, Bangalore, No.B/11103/11/R.A., dated the 26th June 1942.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

SECRETARY TO THE RESIDENT.

sln.

No.B/11103/11/R.A.
H.Q.R.A.Adv H.Q.Southern Army,
Bangalore, 26 June 1942.

To

The Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore.

Artillery Practice Camps - Destruction of Unexploded shell.

The Officer Commanding the regiment which fired on the Rajankunti Range during the period 8 June - 20 June 42 reports that two blinds were reported by the Police on 10th June 1942 but on going out to destroy, the supervising officers found that the blinds had been removed. A fragged round was also removed by person/persons unknown and cannot be traced. The removal of all the 3 rounds was reported to the police at Halsur village.

2. A copy of the danger notice issued by this H.Q. is attached for easy reference.

3. Under the circumstances this H.Q. cannot accept any responsibility for any accident which may result from these three unexploded shells.

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Sd. x x x
for Brig.
R.A.

SECRET.

The reply to this communication should be addressed to the Secretary to the Resident in Mysore, Bangalore, by designation and not by name.

No. R.F.190-40/Pol.

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No. 37 C-B

W.89-42-374.

FROM

THE SECRETARY TO THE HON'BLE THE RESIDENT IN MYSORE.

To

The Chief Secretary to the Government of
His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore,
Bangalore.

Dated Bangalore, the 2nd July 1942.

Artillery Practice Camps - Compensation for evacuation of villages.

CB

CHIEF SECRETARY, 2. JUL 1942, GOVT. OF MYSORE.

SIR,

Sallie for perusal. A copy of this has been sent to the Revenue. The Hon'ble Minister for Law, Justice & Commerce may see.

The Military authorities state that the sums which have to be paid as compensation to villagers for evacuating their villages in the Rajankunti area are amounting to a very high figure. It is estimated that the amount of compensation payable under the existing rate comes to about Rs.4000/- per day and that a regiment requires about 10 days' practice in firing. They point out that in peace time only one regiment, stationed in Bangalore, was firing once a year for about 10 days and that at the present time, with the threat of invasion to this part of India, it has been found necessary to concentrate many artillery regiments in and around Bangalore. These regiments require about 10 days' practice on arrival and also they have to shoot about twice a month while they are here. It is understood that the Military authorities interviewed some headmen in Devarhalli who said that so long as they were able to have one day in every five to look after their sugar cane fields they did not mind disturbance from their fields and evacuation from their villages. It is guaranteed by the Military authorities that no firing will take place on more than four consecutive days. The Military authorities, while presuming that it would be too much to ask the villagers to forgo the entire compensation or to receive compensation once every four days

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at full rate, suggest that, with a view to alleviate the heavy compensation charges, the villagers might at least, as a war contribution, agree to accept half the normal rates. It is realized that there is some agitation by the Congress on this subject. The publication of the figures of compensation however, should be a useful lever in countering such agitation. On the otherhand the drain on Government funds is becoming very heavy and is not in the Resident's opinion justified in these times. Rates which may be suitable in peace time are inappropriate now.

The Hon'ble the Resident would be grateful therefore if the Government of Mysore would kindly consider the feasibility of reducing the existing rates as requested by the Military authorities.

The favour of a very early reply is requested.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

SECRETARY TO THE RESIDENT.

hsln.

W89-42-375

Mems. No 444/W Dy 3.7.42

Fdmg a copy of the Resy letter to D. C. Blore for favour of remarks.

Copy of urgent letter No.R.F.190-40/Pol, dated the 2nd July 1942 received from the Residency, addressed to the Chief Secretary to Govt.

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Artillery Practice Camps - Compensation for evacuation of villages.

The Military authorities state that the sums which have to be paid as compensation to villagers for evacuating their villages in the Rajankunti area are amounting to a very high figure. It is estimated that the amount of compensation payable under the existing rate comes to about Rs.4000/- per day and that a regiment requires about 10 days' practice in firing. They point out that in peace time only one regiment, stationed in Bangalore, was firing once a year for about 10 days and that at the present time, with the threat of invasion to this part of India, it has been found necessary to concentrate many artillery regiments in and around Bangalore. These regiments require about 10 days' practice on arrival and also they have to shoot about twice a month while they are here. It is understood that the Military authorities interviewed some headmen in Devanhalli who said that so long as they were able to have one day in every five to look after their sugar cane fields they did not mind disturbance from their ~~sugar cane~~ fields and evacuation from their villages. It is guaranteed by the Military authorities that no firing will take place on more than four consecutive days. The Military authorities, while presuming that it would be too much to ask the villagers to forgo the entire compensation or to receive compensation once every four days at full rate, suggest that, with a view to alleviate the heavy compensation charges, the villagers might at least, as a war contribution, agree to accept half the normal rates. It is realised that there is some agitation by the Congress on this subject. The publication of the figures of compensation however, should be a useful lever in countering such agitation. On the other hand the drain on Government funds is becoming very heavy and is not in the Resident's opinion justified in these times. Rates which may be suitable in peace time are inappropriate now.

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The Hon'ble the Resident would be grateful therefore if the Government of Mysore would kindly consider the feasibility of reducing the existing rates as requested by the Military authorities.

The favour of a very early reply is requested.

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Salute to the Dewan for perusal. The Law Secretary Colonel the original was submitted to me. I had Brigadier Jacob. When he saw him & the Dewan a few days ago, informed him a higher compensation will be paid, as this is the Agricultural season. Instead of this, we can agree to reduce the rates. The D.C. will be requested to enquire of the landowners agreed to any reduction, as stated in the letter.

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W.89-42-376.

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GOVERNMENT OF MYSORE

Telegram
Telephone

No. M4-6045/41
Encls. one.

OFFICE FO

The Deputy Commissioner,
Bangalore District,
Bangalore.

Date 10th July 1942.

To

GULAM MOHIYUDDIN MEHKRI, ESQ., B.A.,LL.B.,
Chief Secretary to Government of Mysore,
B A N G A L O R E.

Sir,

Subject: Artillery Practice Camps - Compensation for evacuation of villages - reduction in the rates of -

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With reference to your Memo No.44/41 dated 3rd July 1942 on the above subject, I have the honor to state that the Civil Officer, Bangalore who made enquiries about the feasibility of reducing the existing rates of compensation for the evacuation of the villages coming under the Danger Zone during the Artillery practice, reports that the villagers think that what they are being paid at present is not adequate for their trouble and worry and want that the present rate may be kindly continued as the cost of living has considerably increased and also they are unable to go elsewhere to earn their wages at a higher rate leaving their cattle, poultry and women folk exposed in the open.

2. A copy of Civil Officer's report No.B1-27/42-43 dated 8th July 1942 is enclosed for favour of reference.

CHIEF SECRETARY, 11. JUL. 1942 GOVT OF MYSORE.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

S. Narayana Rao
DEPUTY COMMISSIONER,
Bangalore District.

sn.2.

Copy of the letter No.B1.27/42-43 dated 8th July 1942 from the Sub Division Officer, & Civil Officer, Bangalore Sub Dn., Bangalore.

Subject: Artillery Practice Camps - Compensation for evacuation of villages --

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With reference to your memo No.44/W dated 3-7-1942 enquiring if the Headmen of the villages in the Field Firing Areas are agreeable to any reduction in the rates of compensation that are now being paid as per margin for the evacuation of villages coming under Danger Zone, I have the honor to state that while I was in the Devanahalli Taluk since 6th instant, I made enquiries of the villagers who are required to leave their villages from morning 6 O'clock to 4 O'clock in the evening with their kith and kins and live stock etc., on days of Field Firing. They think that what they are now being paid is not commensurate with their trouble and worry and that the present rate may kindly be continued if the same cannot be enhanced as the cost of living has considerably increased and that they cannot go elsewhere to earn their wages at a higher rate, leaving their cattle, poultry and women folk exposed in the open.

Males over 14 Yrs.	Females over 14 Yrs.	Boys below 14 Years & above 8 Yrs	Girls below 14 Years & above 8 Yrs
6 annas per day	4 annas per day	3 annas per day	2 annas per day

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S. Narayanagowda

DEPUTY COMMISSIONER, 10/7
Bangalore District.

sn.

W 89-42-877

Urgent.

To

The Secy. to the Resident.

Sir,

Artillery Practice Camps - Compensation for evacuation of villages

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With reference to your letter No.R.F. 190-40/Pol. dated the 2nd July 1942 regarding the feasibility of reducing the existing rates of compensation to villagers for evacuating their villages in the Rajankunti area, I am directed to state that the villag feel that ~~even~~ the rates now paid are not adequate for the~~ir~~ trouble and ~~for their~~ ^ ~~being prevented from~~ go~~ing~~ elsewhere ~~and~~ earn~~ing~~s wages ~~at a khg higher rate - particularly in view of the considerable rise in the cost of living - and that they have been asking for their increase~~. In ~~these circumstances~~, I am to ~~request~~ ^ ~~therefore~~ that th existing rate~~s~~, which~~ever~~, ~~if at all~~, in favou of the Military authorities, may be continue

I have etc.,

Chief Secy. to Govt.

As which they are put ~~to want~~ by having to leave their homes ~~as~~ ~~to want~~

I may add in this connection the Brigade Staff has intimated the loss ~~in terms of~~ ~~the~~ cultivators are being paid ~~to~~ the rates that have evacuated from their lands.

URGENT.

W.89-42-377

16th July 1942.

Pol. 184

The Secretary to the Hon'ble the Resident in Mysore.

Artillery Practice Camps - Compensation for evacuation of villages.

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With reference to your letter No.R.F.190-40/Pol. dated the 2nd July 1942 regarding the feasibility of reducing the existing rates of compensation to villagers for evacuating their villages in the Rajankunti area, I am directed to state that the villagers feel that the rates now paid are not adequate for the trouble and worry to which they are put by having to leave their homes and want higher rates as they cannot go elsewhere to earn wages leaving their women folk and cattle in the open. On general grounds also, the present time is not opportune for considering the question of scaling down the rates of compensation. I am to state, therefore, that the existing rates which err in favour of the Military authorities, may be continued.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

16/7

Chief Secretary to Government.

W.89-42-378.

307/W. E.I.

17th July 1942.

The Deputy Commissioner,
Bangalore District.

Artillery Practice Camps - Compensation for evacuation of villages - reduction in the rates of.

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With reference to your letter No.M4-6045/41 dated the 10th July 1942 on the above subject, I am directed to forward for your information a copy of this office letter dated the 16th July 1942 to the Residency in the matter, and to request you kindly to furnish the following particulars with details:-

Names of villages affected.

Number of families evacuated in each village.

Period of evacuation per month (May and June).

Total compensation paid per month (May and June).

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

For Chief Secretary to Government.

U R G E N T.

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The reply to this communication should be addressed to the Secretary to the Resident in Mysore, Bangalore, by designation and not by name.

No. R.F. 190-40/Pol.

W. 89-42-379.

FROM

THE SECRETARY
TO THE HON'BLE THE RESIDENT IN MYSORE.

To The Chief Secretary to the Government of
His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore,
B a n g a l o r e.

5.15 p.m. War

CHIEF SECRETARY
16 JUL. 1942
GOVT. OF MYSORE.

Dated Bangalore, the 16th July *1942.*

Artillery Training - Rajankunti.

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SIR,

I am directed to state that the Military authorities consider that the rate of compensation now payable to the inhabitants for evacuating their villages in the Rajankunti Firing Area is very heavy and in order that it may be kept down as low as possible, request that the Government of Mysore would be so good as to select for them -

(a) a sparsely populated area within 20 miles of Bangalore area

(b) a sparsely populated area anywhere in the Mysore State where Artillery Firing could take place. The approximate size of the area required is an equilateral triangle, sides 10 to 15 miles in length.

2. The Hon'ble the Resident would be grateful if

if the Government of Mysore would kindly comply with the request of the Military authorities and inform this Residency of the result at a very early date.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

for SECRETARY TO THE RESIDENT.

IMEDIATE.

W.89-42-380

387-34/W.

21st July 1942.

Chief
/

The Deputy Commissioners of Districts. except Bangalore

Artillery Training - Rajankunti.

I am directed to forward herewith a copy of letter No.R.F. 190-40/Pol. dated the 16th July 1942 from the Residency in the matter of a site required for Artillery Training, and to request you to be so good as to forward a report immediately whether any suitable area is available in your District for the purpose.

The matter may be treated as immediate.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

for Chief Secretary to Government.

*I am directed to state that the Military authorities consider that the rate of compensation now payable to the inhabitants for evacuating their villages in the Rajankunti Firing Area is very heavy and in order that it may be kept down as low as possible, request that the Government of Mysore would be so good as to select for them -

(a) a sparsely populated area within 20 miles of Bangalore area and (b) a sparsely populated area anywhere in the Mysore State where Artillery Firing could take place. The approximate size of the area required is an equilateral triangle, sides 10 to 15 miles in length.

2. The Hon'ble the Resident would be grateful if the Govt. of Mysore would kindly comply with the request of the Military authorities and inform this Residency of the result at a very early date.

367/W.

GOVERNMENT OF MYSORE

Telegram / phone

IMMEDIATE.

No. M4-170/42.
Encls.

W-89-42-381.

OFFICE NOTE

The Deputy Commissioner,
Bangalore District,
Bangalore.

Date 25th July 1942.

To

GULAM MOHIYUDDIN MEHKRI, ESQ., B.A., LL.B.,
Chief Secretary to the Government of Mysore,
BANGALORE.

CHIEF SECRETARY
26 JUL 1942
GOVT OF MYSORE

Sir,

SUBJECT:- Artillery practice Camps - compensation for evacuation of villages - reduction in the rates of - particulars re. the names of villages affected etc., by -

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With reference to your letter No.307/W. dated 17th July 1942 requesting to furnish the marginally noted particulars with details on the above subject, I have the honour to state that it is reported that when the Civil Officer went to the Devanahalli Taluk in the first week of this month to make payment of compensation, he noticed that the statements prepared by the local Officers had not been properly scrutinised by the Amildars of Devanahalli and Dodballapur Taluks and that they have been asked to expedite the matter. He has promised to furnish the particulars required by you on receipt of their reports. I shall write to you again on hearing from him on these points.

Names of villages affected.
Number of families evacuated in each village.
Period of evacuation per month (May & June).
Total compensation paid per month (-do-).

The Military authorities have placed a sum of Rs.26,376-11-0 at the disposal of the Civil Officer for payment as per estimate furnished by the Amildars.

I have the honour to be,
S i r,
Your most obedient servant,

BS Suryanarayana

for DEPUTY COMMISSIONER,
BANGALORE DISTRICT.
(Absent from Station)

svm/-

W. 89-42-382. 368/W.

D. M. 3.
No. [illegible]-J. R. 92/42-43.
Encs.

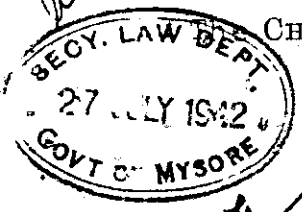
OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT MAGISTRATE,
KADUR DISTRICT.

Dated Chikmagalur, 24th July 42.

FROM

Th DISTRICT MAGISTRATE,
KADUR DISTRICT.

To



CHIEF SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF
HIS HIGHNESS THE MAHARAJA OF MYSORE,
BANGALORE.

SIR,

Subject:- Artillery Training - Rajankunti.

With reference to your letter no. 327-34/.. dated 21st July 1942 on the above subject, I have the honour to state that a sparesely populated site, 10 to 15 miles in length for artillery training could be made available in the Malnad portions of this District, but they are overgrown with thick forests and are difficult country, the tracts being hilly. Transport of men and materials to such places would also be difficult. If however, there is no objection, a site will be selected and reported.

I have the honour to be
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

Assistant Commissioner
for DISTRICT MAGISTRATE,
KADUR DISTRICT.

N.P.R.

GOVERNMENT OF MYSORE

Telegraphic Address

W 89-42-383. OFFICE OF

the Deputy Commissioner,

Shimoga District,

Shimoga,

No. L.Dis.J.C.81/42-3.

Encls.

Date 1st August 1942.

To

The Chief Secretary to the Government of

His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore,

Bangalore.

Sir,

Subject:- Artillery Training - Rajan Kunti.

With reference to your letter No.327-34/W dated 21-7-1942 regarding the site required for Artillery Training, I have the honour to state that the District Superintendent of Police, Shimoga has reported that there is no sparsely populated suitable area required for the purpose in this District.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

For Deputy Commissioner,
Shimoga District.

CHIEF SECRETARY. 4. AUG. 1942 GOVT. OF MYSORE.

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Urgent

The reply to this communication should be addressed to the Secretary to the Resident in Mysore, Bangalore, by designation and not by name.

No. RF.190-40/Pol

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W 89-42-384.

FROM

THE SECRETARY

TO THE HON'BLE THE RESIDENT IN MYSORE.

CHIEF SECRETARY. 5TH AUG. 1942 GOVT. OF MYSORE.

The Chief Secretary to the Government of
His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore,
Bangalore.

Dated Bangalore, the 4th August 1942.

Subject:- Artillery Training - Rajankunti.

SIR,

I am directed to refer to my letter No.RF.190-40/Pol., dated the 16th July 1942, and to request the favour of an early reply.

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I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

for SECRETARY TO THE RESIDENT.

W89-42-585

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6th August 1942.

The Secretary to the Hon'ble the Resident in Mysore.

Artillery Training - Rajankunti.

I am directed to refer to your letter No.R.F. 190-40/Pol. dated the 16th July 1942 on the above subject, and to state that the matter is under investigation and that a further communication will be made shortly.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

For Chief Secretary to Government.

C. F. No. 45]

539/W.

GOVERNMENT OF MYSORE

Tele gram / phone

W.89-42-~~53~~ 386. OFFICE OF

The Deputy commissioner,
Tumkur District,
Tumkur.

No. A2.c. 258/42-43
Encls.

Date 7th August 1942.

To

Mothamed-ul-Mulk
Gulam Mohiyuddin Mehkri, Esqr:, B.A., LL.B.,
Chief Secretary to the Government of Mysore,
Bangalore.

Sir,

Re: Artillery training area.

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With reference to your letter No. 327-34 dated the 21st July 1942, on the above subject, I have the honour to state that the Amildars of all the taluks except Gubbi report that no sparsely populated area of the dimensions noted in your letter and fit for artillery training is available either within 20 miles of Bangalore area or elsewhere in the District. The report of the Amildar, Gubbi taluk has not yet been received and I have reminded him to submit his report at once and on its receipt I shall send up my further report in the matter.

CHIEF SECRETARY
8. AUG. 1942
GOVT

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

T. Ramakrishnaiah
Deputy Commissioner,
Tumkur District.

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W.89-42-387

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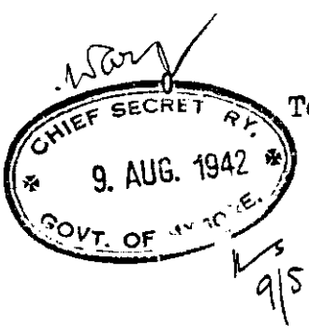
No. T.C. 215/41-420ffice of the Deputy Commissioner,
Mandya District, Mandya,
Dated 8th August 1942.

From

C.M.H. Ranajodha Singh, Esq., B.A.,
Deputy Commissioner, Mandya District,
Mandya.



To

Mothamed-ul-mulk
M.G. Mehkri, Esq., B.A., LL.B.,
Chief Secretary to the Government of Mysore,
Bangalore.

Sir,

With reference to your letter No. 327-34/W dated 21st July 1942 and your subsequent reminder No. 884-90/W dated 6th August 1942 regarding the subject "Artillery Training - Rajankunti", I have the honour to state that the Executive Engineer, Mandya Division, who was addressed for obtaining the information has replied that no such lands as per size noted in the sparsely populated area is available in Mandya District.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

Deputy Commissioner,
Mandya District.

HSS.

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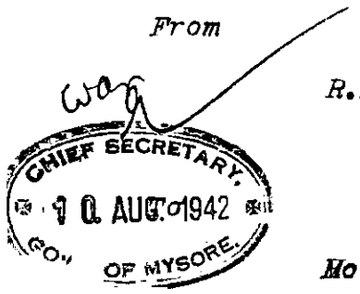
No.Cl.C.3738/42

Office of the Deputy Commissioner,
Chitaldrug District,
Chitaldrug, dated, 9th August 1942.

W.89-42-388.

From



R.P.Mallappa, Esq., B.A., LL.B.,
Deputy Commissioner, Chitaldrug District,
Chitaldrug.

To

Mothameed-ul-Mulk,
Gulam Mohiyuddin Mehkri, Esq., B.A., LL.B.,
Chief Secretary to Government of Mysore,
Bangalore.

Sir,

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Artilllery Training - Rajankunti.

With reference to your letter No.327-34/W dated the 21st July 1942 forwarding a copy of letter No.R.F.190-40/pol. dated the 16th July 1942 from the Residency in the matter of a site required for Artillery training, I have the honour to state that there is no such area available in this District for the purpose.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

Deputy Commissioner,
Chitaldrug District.

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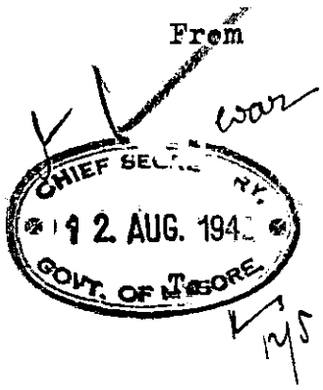
Office of the Deputy Commissioner,
Hassan District,
Dated Hassan the 11th August 1942.

No. J1.C. 656/41.

W.89-42-389.

From



N. S. Hirannayya, Esq., M.A.,
Deputy Commissioner, Hassan District.

Gulam Mohiyuddin Mehkri, Esq., B.A., LL.B.,
Chief Secretary to the Government of His Highness
the Maharaja of Mysore, Bangalore.

Sir,

With reference to your letter No. 884-90/W dated 6-8-1942, calling for a report re: the availability of areas in this District for artillery training, I have the honour to state that the reports of some of the Amildars in the matter are awaited. I will obtain the information and send up the report called for, shortly.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

For Deputy Commissioner,
Hassan District.
(Absent from Headquarters).

I.S.D.

601/W.

OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER,
Mysore District,

No.C.D.8-24 of 42-43Mysore, dated, the 11th August 1942.

From

K. SUBBA RAO, Esq., B.A.,
Deputy Commissioner,
Mysore District, Mysore.

To

Mothamed-ul-Mulk
M. G. MEHKRI, Esq., B.A., LL.B.,
Chief Secretary to Government of Mysore,
Bangalore.

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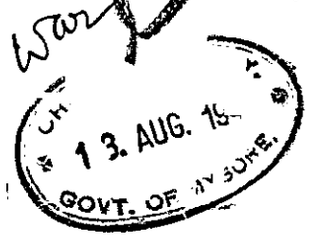


Sir,

ARTILLERY TRAINING - RAJANKUNTI.

With reference to your letter No.327-34/W dated the 21st July 1942, and subsequent reminder No. 884-90/W., dated the 6th August 1942, on the above subject, I have the honour to state that there is no area in this District suitable for artillery training satisfying the requirements of the Military Department.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

K. Subba Rao

Deputy Commissioner,
Mysore District.

625/W W.89-42-390.

Office of the Deputy Commissioner,
Hassan District,
Dated Hassan the 13th August 1942.

No. Jl.C.656/41.

From

N. S. Hirannayya, Esq., M.A.,

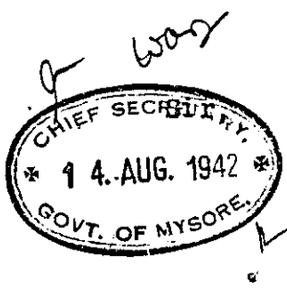
Deputy Commissioner, Hassan District.

To

Mothamed-ul-Mulk
Gulam Mohiyuddin Mehkri, Esq., B.A., LL.B.,

Chief Secretary to the Government of His Highness

the Maharaja of Mysore, Bangalore.



Availability of areas in the Hassan District for Artillery Training.

In continuation of this Office letter No. Jl.C. 656-41 dated 17-8-1942, on the above subject, I have the honour to state that from enquiries made, it is found that no area suitable for the purpose and answering all requirements is available in this District.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

Deputy Commissioner,
Hassan District.

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NO.C.C.121/41-42. Office of the Deputy Commissioner,
Kolar Distt.
Dated, Kolar the 17th Aug.'42.

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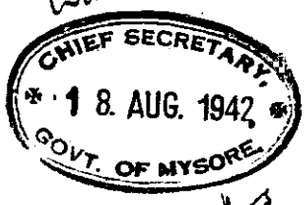

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To

The Chief Secretary to the
Government of Mysore,
Bangalore.

ARTILLERY TRAINING - RAJANKUNTI.

Sir,

With reference to your letter No.327-34/W, dated 21st July 1942 calling for report after selecting suitable sites for Artillery Training of the British Military Forces, I have the honour to state that it is reported that no site which is sparsely populated within 20 miles from Bangalore or anywhere in the District is available. Generally this District consists of villages thickly populated and situated close to each other. As such, it may not be possible to select a suitable area for Artillery practices without dislocating the normal conditions of village life and heavy compensation will have to be paid as is being done in the case of Rajanukunte in Bangalore District.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

Asst. Commissioner
for Deputy Commissioner.

(absent from Headquarters)

IMMEDIATE.

W.89-42-392

No. 1122/10.

18th August 1942.

The Deputy Commissioner,
Bangalore District.

Artillery Training - Rajankunti.

I am directed to invite reference to this office memo No.292/W dated the 16th July 1942 on the above subject, and to request you kindly to furnish your report in the matter immediately.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

Sd/-

For Chief Secretary to Government.

W 89-42-393. 726 W.

C.F. No. 45]

GOVERNMENT OF MYSORE

Tele gram / phone

OFFICE OF

Deputy Commissioner
Tumkur District
TUMKUR

No. L. Dis: Agc. 258/42-43
Encls.

Date 20th August 1942

To

Mohāmud-ul-Mulk
Gulam Mohiyussim Mehkri, Sr. AA. LLB,
Chief Secretary to Government
of Mysore. Bangalore

Sir,

Re: Artillery training area.

In Continuation of this Office letter of even number dated 7-8-1942 on the above Subject, I have the honour to State, that the Amildar, Gubbi Taluk has since reported that no Suitable area is available in his Taluk.

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I have the honour to be
Sir,
your most obedient Servant

T. Singhmuth
Deputy Commissioner
Tumkur District

IMMEDIATE. W.89-42-394.

D O No. 1326/W.

27th August 2

Artillery Training - Rajankunti.

I am desired to invite reference to this office memo No.292/W dated the 16th July 1942 calling for a report regarding the availability of a suitable area in your District required for Artillery Training and to the reminder No.1122/W dated the 18th August 1942 in the matter. I am to request you kindly to furnish your report immediately, as the Residency have reminded on the subject.

C.M.~~&~~ Ranajodha Singh Esq., B.A.,
Deputy Commissioner,
Bangalore District.

Sd/-

W.89-42-395.

764/W

No.M4-6527/41

Office of the Deputy Commissioner,
Bangalore District,
Dated, Bangalore the 28th August 1942.

,From

C.M.H. RANAJODH SINGH, ESQ., B.A.,
Deputy Commissioner,
Bangalore District.

CHIEF SECRETARY
29 AUG. 1942
GOVT. OF MYSORE

To

His Exalted Highness Asaf Jah Nizam-ul-Mulk
Mothamed-ul-Mulk
GULAM MOHIYUDDIN MEHKRI, ESQ., B.A.,LL.B.,
Chief Secretary to Government of Mysore,
BANGALORE.

Sir,

Subject: Artillery Training - Selection of a Sparsely populated area within 20 miles of Bangalore -

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With reference to the correspondence ending with your memo No.292/W dated 16th July 1942 and D.O. reminder thereto dated 27-8-1942 on the above subject, I have the honor to state that it is ascertained that there is no area in this District of the kind and description referred to in the Residency letter No.R.F.190-40/Pol. dated the 16th July 1942 except the present place near the villages of Choodasandra and Rayasandra in Sarjapur Hobli, Anekal Taluk and that this area is already being used for Artillery Training.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

BS Sangameswara

for DEPUTY COMMISSIONER,
Bangalore District.

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GOVERNMENT OF MYSORE

Telegram / phone

OFFICE OF

The Deputy Commissioner,
Kadur District,
Chickmagalur.

No. J1-C.337/42-43.
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Date 29th August 1942.

To

The Chief Secretary to Government
of Mysore., Bangalore.

War

Subject:- Artillery Training - Selection of sites for.

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In continuation of this office letter of even number dated 24th July 1942 on the above subject, I have the honour to state that it is since reported by the Sub Division Officer, Chickmagalur, Sub Division that the only suitable place available in this District is the area round about Thurchegudda Kaval and Kamenahalli kaval in Lakya Hobli, Kadur Taluk which is reported to be sparcely populated. A sketch of the area is enclosed for kind perusal.

The area is near Chickmagalur Town and has approaches from two roads. It may perhaps be inspected by the concerned Military Authorities.

I have the honour to be
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

Deputy Commissioner,
Kadur District.

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Signed by M. S. R. V.

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War **File No.** 89-42

Serial No. 397.

No. Pol 550 Cl

To

The Army to the Hon'ble the Revenue

Sir, Arbitrary Training Regulations

With reference to your letter

no R.F. 190-40 | Pol 6 (6) dated 3-42

on the above subject. I am

directed to state that no suitable

area, according to the

requirements of the Mily authorities

is available either within 2

miles of bungalow ~~of the~~

~~Cyclone area in the State~~

which is suitable for the

purpose. The only area is the one near

the villages of Chodavaram and

Rajasandra in Sarjapur Hobli
Anekal Taluk as this area
is already being used for
Artillery Training.

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Signed

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Chief Secretary 31/8/1

X. The D.C. Kolar has stated
reported that the area
round about Thimlapura Kaval
-Kamenahalli Kaval in Lakkya Hobli
Kolar Taluk is Physically Inhabited
if the whole of Bangalore is given over there
can be no trouble. There are
is near Bhimanakuppe town
that approaches from two roads
A sketch of the area is herein
enclosed. The Military authorities
may, if deemed fit, be advised to withdraw Kaval
to such of the areas as may be suitable for the purpose

Ll 5305/1 dt 5.9.194

To W.89-42-397.

The Secy. to the Resident.

Sir,

Artillery Training - Rajankunti.

With reference to your letter No.R.F. 190-40/Pol. dated the 16th July 1942 on the above subject, I am directed to state that no suitable area according to the requirements of the Military authorities is available within 20 miles of Bangalore. The only area which is reported to be suitable from the point of view is the one near the villages of Choodasandra and Rayasandra in Sarjapur Hobli, Anekal Taluk, which is already being used for Artillery Training.

The Dy. Commr., Kadur has reported that the area round about Thurchegudda Kaval and Kamenahalli Kaval in Lakya Hobli, Kadur Taluk, is sparsely populated and may be suitable, if the distance from Bangalore is of no consideration. This area is near Chickmagalur town and has approaches from two roads. A sketch of the area is herein enclosed. The Military authorities may be advised to inspect the locality to ascertain if the area would be suitable for their purpose.

I have etc.,

Chief Secy. to Govt.

No.RF.190-40/Pol. W89-42-398 SECRET URGENT 3434 W

From - The Secretary to the Hon'ble the Resident in Mysore
To - The Chief Secretary to the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore, Bangalore.

Bangalore, 10 June 1943.

Rajankunti range - Artillery Field Firing.

Sir,

I am directed to enclose a copy of a letter No. 5203/39/G(T), dated the 5th June 1943, from H.Q., Southern Army. The Hon'ble the Resident trusts that the Government of Mysore will have no objection to the military authorities using the Rajankunti range for field firing, and that they will be able to see their way to reducing the present high rate of compensation.

2. A very early reply is requested.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

SECRETARY TO THE RESIDENT.

War 11-6-43 WD

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Letter from H.Q., Southern Army, No.5203/39/G(T), dated the 5th June 1943.

RANGES - RAJANKUNTI.

Would you please approach the Mysore Govt. with a view to re-opening the RAJANKUNTI Arty Range of which you already have details.

2. This will be required by 15 Jun 43.

3. Could you please approach the Mysore Govt. with a view to reducing the present high rate of compensation required by them for this range i.e. As.-/6/- per man, As. -/4/- per woman, and As. -/2/- per child per day, which amounts to approx. Rs.2,400/- per days' firing. It is anticipated that the ranges will be used on twenty days each month.

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War File No. 89-42

Secret & Urgent

Serial No. 399.

No. Pol. 2598

To The Secy to the Govt of Punjab & Resident Rajputana

range - Artillery Field firing.

Sir,

With reference to your letter No RF. 120-40/Pol dated 10th June 40 on the above subject. I am directed to state that this Govt has no objection to the military authorities using the Rajputana range for field firing, as already agreed to by this Govt in this office letter No Pol. 2174 dated 19th May 42 and to request you kindly to instruct the military authorities to contact the D C Bangalore to arrange details.

WD 04161—GPB—60,000—24-10-41

As regards compensation I am to
enclose reference to this office letter
No Pd. 124 d 16th June 42 ×
explaining ~~the circumstances and intimating~~ how
~~that~~ the existing rates and their
cannot be ~~further~~ brought ~~soon~~ considered. I am
~~not~~ to add, that it is ~~proposed~~ possible that
~~Arrangements~~ an increase in the rates may ~~soon~~ be demanded
in view of the worsening of the
and increased cost of living.

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Chief Security Officer 16/6/43 16/6/43

Memo. 4490/W Dy 21.6.43.
Copy W/c to the C.R.

WG
16/6/43

GOVERNMENT OF HIS HIGHNESS THE MAHARAJA OF MYSORE.

General and Revenue Secretariat.

No. Pol. 8598

Bangalore, Dated .....21st June 1943.

W. 89-42-399

FROM

The Chief *Secretary to the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore.*

To

The Secretary to the Hon'ble the Resident in Mysore,
Bangalore.

Sir,

Rajankunti range - Artillery Field Firing.

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With reference to your letter No.R.F.190-40/Pol. dated 10th June 1943 on the above subject, I am directed to state that this Government have no objection to the military authorities using the Rajankunti range for field firing, as already agreed to by this Government in this office letter No.Pol.2174 dated 19th May 1942 and to request you kindly to instruct the military authorities to contact the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore, and arrange details.

As regards compensation, I am to invite reference to this office letter No.Pol.124 dated 16th July 1942 explaining how the existing rates are themselves low and cannot be reduced. I am to add that it is just possible that an increase in the rates may now be demanded in view of the worsening of the price situation and the increased cost of living.

I have the honour to be
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

(Sd) V.Vedavyasacharya,
Chief Secretary to Government.

Memo No. 4490/W Dated, Bangalore, 21st June 1943.

Copy of the above is forwarded, with compliments, to the Civil Representative in Mysore, Bangalore.

By Order,

For Chief Secretary to Government

WD C1967—GPB—50,000—9-9-42

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From

Rajasevaprasakta
M. Seshadri, Esq., M.A.,
Revenue Commissioner and
Civil Representative in Mysore,
Bangalore.

To

V. Vedavyasacharya, Esq., B.A.,
Chief Secretary to Government
of Mysore, Bangalore.

Dated 2nd October 1943.

Despatched

Received

General No. C.L.O. 134/43-44.

No.

Enclosure No.

Subject:- Rajanakunte Range--Artillery Field Firing.

Sir,

Referring to your memo No. 4490/W dated 21st June 1943 on the above subject, I have the honour to forward herewith copies of their enclosures received from the Deputy Commissioner and the Sub Division Officer and the Civil Officer, Bangalore on the subject.

Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District.	
1. Letter No. Mily. C. 236/43-44 dated 2-8-43.	
2. -do- --do-- " 20-8-43. (with copy of enclosure)	
3. -do- " 14-9-43.	
4. -do- " 23-9-43 (With copy of enclosure)	
Civil Officer, Bangalore.	
Letter No.M.Bl. P.R. 18/43-44 dated 25-7-43.	

The military authorities have addressed the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore asking for permission to use the Rajanakunte Range for night firing exercises. On a reference received in this office from the Deputy Commissioner on the subject, I wrote to him that as it would not be possible to evacuate the villages in the range area during nights, we cannot agree to the Artillery Field Firing practices during nights; and the Deputy Commissioner has intimated

the military authorities accordingly.

The Officer Commanding, Head Quarters, R.A. Southern Army has now stated in reply, that the Artillery night firing practice in this range would be confined to unpopulated areas, and that as it does not now involve evacuation of any of the villages in the range area, the permission asked for may be granted. The Deputy Commissioner has sought ~~of~~ instructions of this office.

In view of this large amount of risk involved and the disturbance that would be caused to men and cattle of the surrounding villages during nights, I am not in favour of granting the permission asked for. But the military authorities have said that this form of training which though, will not happen very often, is very necessary for artillery regiments.

I recommend that permission may be given for field firing on this Range at night, subject to the condition that the practice will be confined to unpopulated areas and that every precaution should be taken to prevent damages to men and cattle.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

Revenue Commissioner
&
Civil Representative.

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Copy of letter No. Mily. C. 236/43-44 dated 2nd August 1943 from the Deputy Commissioner to the Head Quarters, R.A. Southern Army C/o 11 Adv. Base P.O. Bangalore.

Subject:- Rajanukunte Artillery Field Firing during nights.

With reference to your letter No. 11018/96/R.A. dated 16th July 1943 on the above subject, I have the honour to state that the Sub Division Officer and Civil Officer, Bangalore, reported that there are 48 villages coming within the Rajankunte Range and that the villagers have no resting place either for themselves or for their cattle to keep out during nights, especially during the rainy season. He opines that the practice may be permitted to be held in the unoccupied areas, keeping the inhabited villaged beyond the range and that if this is not possible, permanent lines or sheds may be put up by the military beyond the danger zone to enable the villagers to shift during nights.

A copy of the letter No: M.Bl.P.R. 18/43-44 dated 25th July 1943 from the Sub Division Officer and Civil Officer, Bangalore is enclosed for favour of reference.

Copy of letter No. M.Bl-P.R. 18/43-44 dated 25-7-43 from the Sub Division Officer, and Civil Officer, Bangalore to the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District.

With reference to your memo No. Mily.C. 236/43-44 dated the 17th instant calling for opinion in the matter of permitting the military to practice at Rajankunte Range during nights Artillery Field Firing, I have the honour to state that the Amildar, Devanahalli Taluk, who was consulted in the matter, has reported that there are 48 villages coming within this range and the villagers have no resting place either for themselves or for their cattle to keep out during nights especially during this rainy season. He adds that there will be no hardship if they are permitted to remain closed in their villages.

I am therefore of opinion that it would be better if the military could limit this practice only to unoccupied areas, keeping the inhabited villages beyond the range and that if this is not possible, permanent lines or sheds may be put up by the military beyond the danger zone to shift during nights. It is only then possible to grant permission to practice artillery firing during nights.

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Copy of letter No. Mily.C. 236/43-44 dated 20th August 1943 from the Deputy Commissioner, to the Revenue Commissioner and Civil Representative in Mysore, Bangalore.

Subject:. Rajanakunte Artillery Field Firing during nights.

As desired in your letter No. C.L.O. 34/43-44 dated the 12th inst. on the above subject, I have the honour to forward herewith a copy of the H.Q. letter No. 11018/96/R.A. dated 16th Jul. 1943.

Copy of H.Q. letter No. 11018/96/R.A. dated 16 Jul 1943.

Subject:- RAJAKUNTI RANGE--ARTILLERY FIELD FIRING.

1. The Government of Mysore having agreed to the use of the

P.T.O.

the use of the Rajankunti Range for artillery field firing, G.H.Q. have placed funds at our disposal for compensation to villagers when ranges have to be cleared. We have arranged with H.Q. 160 L of C Sub Area to notify the civil authorities whenever clearance of the range is required. This notification will be given not less than 8 days in advance.

I shall be very grateful if you could let me know whether there is any objection to firing on this range at night; a form of training which though it will not happen very often, is very necessary for artillery regiments.

xxxxxxxxBRIG
R.A.

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Copy of letter No. C. 236/43-44 dated 14th Sept. 1943 from the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District to the Head Quarters R.A. Southern Army, C/o 11 Adv. Base P.O. Bangalore.

Subject:- Rajanukunte--Artillery Field Firing during nights.

In continuation of my letter of even No. dated 30th July 43 on the above subject, I have the honour to state that the Revenue Commissioner and Civil Representative in Mysore, Bangalore, intimates in his letter No. C.L.O. 134/43-44 dated 28-8-43 (copy enclosed) that he is not in favour of firing practices during nights as it is not possible to evacuate the villages in the Range area during night causing inconvenience to the Civil Population.

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Copy of letter No. Mily. C. 236/43-44 dated 23rd Sept. 1943 from the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District, to the Revenue Commissioner and Civil Representative in Mysore, Bangalore.

Subject:- Field Firing--Night Practice--Ranjankunte Range.

With reference to your letter No. C.L.O. 34/43-44 dated the 28th August 1943, stating that the military authorities may be intimated that we cannot agree to the Artillery Field Firing practices during nights in the above range for the reason that it would not be possible to evacuate the villages in the Range area during nights, I have the honour to state that the Officer Commanding the Head Quarters, R.A. Southern Army who was intimated about this, requests to be informed if Night Firing may be held in the unoccupied areas keeping the inhabited villages beyond the range, as this would not involve the evacuation of any villages. Copy of his letter dated the 18th instant is enclosed for favour of reference. I request the favour of your instructions in the matter.

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Copy of letter No. 11018/135/R.A. dated 18 Sep. 43 from the Officer Commanding H.Q. R.A. Southern Army C/o No.11 Adv. Base P.O. Bangalore to the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District.

Rajankunte Range.

Ref:- your No. Mily.C.236/43-44 of 14 Sep. 43.

In view of your No. Mily. C.236/43-44 of 2 Aug 43 in which you state that the Sub Division Officer and the Civil Officer Bangalore opines that the practice (of night firing) may be permitted to be held in the unoccupied areas, keeping the inhabited villages

villages beyond the range, I should be glad if you will kindly confirm that the Rajankune range may be used for night firing and exercises provided it does not involve the evacuation of any villages.

I have already stated in my No. 11018/121/R.A. of 17 Aug. 43 that no difficulty would be experienced in confining artillery night firing practices and schemes to unpopulated areas of the range. If such night exercises could be held it will only be necessary to warn villagers not to wander from the precincts of their villages.

I would appreciate your reply by the earliest possible date.

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" Copy "

M. N. Ramaswamy .

For Revenue-Commissioner and
Civil Representative.

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Signed by.... Dms/KN. .....

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To

The R.C.S.C.R.

Sir,

With reference to your letter No C.L.O 134/43-44 of 2-10-43 on the above subject, I am directed to state that your approval of your recommendation that permission may be given for field firing on the Rajamkunte Range at night subject to the condition that the practice will be

confine to unpopulated
areas and take every
precaution in its use
to prevent damages to
men & cattle.

I have etc

J.W. Isaac
for Chief Surg.

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No. Adl. 772

To The Army to the Hon'ble the Resident

Rayakuda Artillery Field Firing During Nights.

Sir,

I am directed to enclose herein for your information copy of Hdrs Qrs. R. A. Southern Army letter ~~no~~ dated 18th Sept. R. 43 to the D C Bellary on the above subject and to state that Government has accorded permission for field firing on the Rayakuda Range at night subject to the condition that the practice will be confined to unpopulated areas and that necessary precautions will be taken

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Signed by.... Mr. S. K. V. Iyer

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